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## House Resolution No. 2842

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives proudly pause to recognize those special young people who have exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in state government; and

Whereas, Joseph A. Lakin of Springfield, Missouri, has distinguished himself as a Legislative Intern for both the Honorable Ward Franz, State Representative from the 151st District, and for the Honorable Chuck Purgason, State Senator from the 33rd District; and

Whereas, a graduate of Glendale High School and a Senior at Missouri State University, Joseph Lakin joined Representative Franz and Senator Purgason for the Second Regular Session of the Ninety-fourth General Assembly at the Missouri State Capitol; and

Whereas, also an intern for Grote and Associates, Joseph Lakin is essential to the office of Senator Purgason where he serves as staff for the Committee on Health and Mental Health, and is responsible for constituent services, tracking legislation, and policy research; and

Whereas, the Overall Chairman of pubic Affairs Week at Missouri State University, Joseph Lakin has successfully demonstrated his abilities in the office of Representative Franz through his performance of such duties as conducting research, publishing a district wide senior services guide, tallying constituent surveys, and assisting the staff of the Special Committee on Family Services; and

Whereas, the President of both the Association of Civically Engaged Students and Sigma Alpha Lambda who now holds distinction as "the best intern ever", Joseph Lakin has earned recognition as a valuable asset to Representative Franz, Senator Purgason, and the entire Missouri Legislature through the application of knowledge and skills acquired prior to his tenure as an Intern and a variety of visible new skills which will be of tremendous value in the job market:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, unanimously join in commending Joseph Lakin for his many important contributions to the Missouri State Legislature during the current legislative session, and further extend to him our very best wishes for continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Joseph A. Lakin, as a mark of our esteem for him.

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2842, adopted May 7, 2008.